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Attorney General John Ashcroft  
UIS Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
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Dear Mr Ashcroft:

I am writing this letter to address the recent agreement reached between Microsoft and the Department of Justice.

I am for the settlement, which allows Microsoft to get back to business. Microsoft is a good company, which provides jobs to thousands of people. Employment supports the waning computer industry and the economy generally

I think the lawsuit was a political move from the onset. Microsoft is a very sucessful company, and very successful companies make thir competitors jealous.

I understand the settlement was not easy on Microsoft. Microsoft has agreed to give computer manufacturers access to coding to configure Windows to easy accept non-Microsoft software programs that compete with programs included within Windows. They have agreed to on going monitoring by technical committee to assure compliance.

Microsoft has made many concessions in an effort to settle the suit quickly. Now is is time to leave Microsoft alone. Ket's get back to business. Approve the agreement between Microsoft and the Department of Justice.

Sincerely,

Ted Haubein